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JOBS LOST AS BANK CLOSES

Lloyds staff at Essex House facing mass redundancies

By Paul Giles

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MORE than 700 people will be made redundant at Southend following the closure of Lloyds Bank at Essex House.

Lloyd's Trade Union has said 689 permanent staff plus a further 174 temporary staff would be losing their jobs by the end of the year.

A further 75 members of telephone banking and fraud operations staff currently at the Essex House location will move to offices based in Chelmsford.

A spokesperson from the bank the decision was a 'difficult one to make'.

They said: "We will do everything we can to provide support for our employees and the local community to manage this transition.

"We will work with our colleagues wherever possible to try to find suitable roles for them elsewhere within the Group.

"We are also working with external employment agencies and setting up an on-site dedicated Resource Centre to provide additional support and opportunities for those colleagues whom we are unable to redeploy internally."

The move has come as part of the bank's strategic plan to open key centres of excellence in the country to provide better customer care.

The bank has denied any jobs will be out-sourced abroad and denied claims the move was because the lease on the building will soon run out.

Steve Tatlow, assistant general secretary at Lloyds Trade Union, said the union had told the bank making so many people redundant would make it difficult for people to find jobs locally.

Mr Tatlow said: "The wider Southend community will suffer too, since there will be a lot less people living in the area who will be able to spend money at local businesses, no doubt contributing to even more redundancies locally."

Leader of Southend council, councillor Nigel Holdcroft said he was calling a meeting with bosses at the bank over the announcement of redundancies last Thursday.

Cllr Holdcroft said: "I am appalled that the Lloyds Banking Group (LBG) has chosen to communicate this large loss of jobs with the council only once it has made its decision.

"Had they consulted with us and other local agencies at an earlier stage we could perhaps have identified other options and been ready to support employees to avoid this damaging decision.

"I understand that Job Centre Plus were not informed at all of this news, which I find almost breathtakingly poor communication given the circumstances.

"We will do everything we can to help these employees and have produced a booklet which is available from the council website and will be working closely with Jobcentre Plus, colleges, training providers and other organisations over the coming weeks and months."



REDUNDANCIES: Essex House where more than 700 people are facing redundancy

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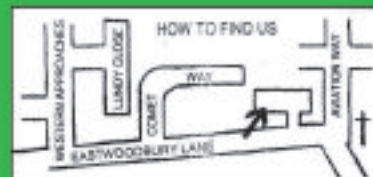
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Art inspired by the Thames

By Paul Giles

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A UNIQUE exhibition following the lines of the River Thames and the London to Tilbury Railway line is being constructed by 22 schools in Essex.

On The Line is an arts project conceived by Metal, currently taking place in schools along the South Essex banks of the River Thames from Thurrock to Shoeburyness.

Each school is working with an artist, across a variety of artistic disciplines, to create artworks, literature and new artefacts that respond to the connection between the River Thames, the railway line and their community.

These works will be brought together to create the On The Line exhibition at Metal's Chalkwell Hall, from Thursday, June 27, to Friday, July 26.

Works on display, created by the hundreds of pupils taking part, are as diverse as radio plays, 'discovered' books, animation, photography, documentary style film, dance, new pieces of music as well as sea shanties and nursery rhymes.

Others are exploring the area's heritage through buildings, landscape, industry and the communities who use the River and the Railways for work or leisure.

The ground floor of the Chalkwell Hall will be completely transformed



ON THE LINE: Pupils at Chalkwell Hall Infant School Ella Lewis, Annie Dyos, Daniel Osei Pokui, Joshua Marley with fashion designer Lesley Ford.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

to become a temporary museum with an exhibition display designed by local Leigh artisan, Jonathan Wells.

Mr Wells said he was re-designing the space at Chalkwell Hall to be a magical place where people of all ages can discover or rediscover information about the Thames

Estuary and history of the Railway.

Mr Wells said: "I am hoping this is really going to fire up children's imaginations and inspire them about the arts and what they can achieve by working with artists."

Colette Bailey, artistic director of Metal said "The idea of a permanent Museum of the Thames Estuary in

Southend is a really exciting proposition for the region.

"This project was conceived as a young person's version of the Museum of the Thames Estuary and a fantastic way of exploring some of the rich history and stories that we'll be able to enjoy in the Museum in the future."

Woman knocked unconscious in robbery

A WOMAN in her 50s was knocked unconscious and had money and gold bracelets stolen from her.

The attack happened in Hamlet Court Road, just after midnight on Saturday morning.

The woman was turning into Canewdon Road when the suspect who was jogging hit her in the face knocking her out.

The attack occurred outside the old Empire Cake Company opposite the Hamlet Court Pub.

When she came around she found cash had been taken from her purse and two gold bracelets had been taken from her wrists.

One of the bracelets holds sentimental value to the victim and is described as nine carat gold four cm thick, 1960s style, fixed bangle with a swirls and leaf pattern.

The second bracelet is also nine carat gold, a thin bar with heart pattern all around.

The suspect is described as a man,

aged no older than 20 years, thin build and was wearing a grey sweat-shirt, light blue jeans and trainers. The victim sustained facial injuries and a broken nose and was treated at Southend Hospital.

De Richard Walker who is investigating said "This was a violent assault on a lone female as she made her way home."

"We believe that there were people near to the scene at the time of the offence."

Detectives also hope someone may know who committed this offence, or know about the distinctive stolen jewellery, or even may have been offered it to buy.

De Walker added: "It would be advisable for people out late at night to try to walk home with another person and to be wary of strangers."

Anyone with any information should call Southend CID on 101, or via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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Benefit fraudster sentenced

A MAN has been caught claiming housing benefit on his old address after secretly moving.

Martin Kray, 50, formerly of Rayleigh Road, Leigh, admitted at Basildon Crown Court on May 3, to failing to tell Southend council his circumstances had changed.

He was given an eight month suspended prison sentence, was ordered to complete 150 hours community service and to pay £1,000 costs.

In addition, Mr Kray must also pay back the £6,015.61 housing benefit he falsely obtained.

Day against homophobia event

SOUTHEND Council and Essex Police will be holding an event to support the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia.

It will be held in the Tickfield Centre, Tickfield Road, between noon and 2pm, on Friday, May 17.

The event is being held to call for respect for lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgender people world wide.

Visitors will have the chance to learn about local schemes that tackle hate crimes.

For further information or to register email equalities@southend.gov.uk.

Flower survey

A WILDFLOWER identification survey is going to take place in Belfairs Park, Vardon Drive, Leigh.

Local botanist Tim Pyner will be helping people throughout the day to create a study of the area's wildflowers.

The final data will be sent to Plantlife UK to be recorded as part of the organisation annual data.

The research will take place on Thursday, May 23, between 10am and 3pm.

Participants are encouraged to take a packed lunch and there is a suggested donation of £10 to Essex Wildlife Trust, for the course.

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Demand surge at food bank

A CHARITY that offers free food packages is now opening twice a day because of increased demand.

The Storehouse, in Coleman Street, Southend, is now open between 11.30am and 12.30pm and then again between 1pm and 2pm, and caters for 600 people a week – many who are homeless, but most on benefits.

Previously the Storehouse has just opened once a day but project manager John Williams confirmed demand was high.

He said: "Basically we've got 25 new people coming in every week.

"There has been a gradual rise in people coming in over the year due to the

recession."

Mr Williams said people were also finding it even harder due to the cuts in benefits and increased council tax. The Storehouse also provides counselling to help people with the changes in their benefits.

It also runs a church service once a week to keep in touch with people's faith.

Currently the project gets its food donations from Sainsbury's and Ocado.

However due to the high need of food from people the project is looking for another partner to donate food to them.

If you can help donate food to the project contact John Williams on 07976 811037.



HELP: Jason Rayment, Reece Lewis and Alex Russell with two members of the community collecting supplies

Picture by Mark Cleveland

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Cyclist hurt

A MAN in his 50s was injured when he was hit by a car on the shared space on Marine Parade, on Monday, May 6.

Police were called to the area on Southend seafront at 5.15pm after the black Mondeo knocked the man off his bike.

Paramedics were called but the man did not need to be taken to hospital.

Police would like to hear from anyone with information should call Laidon Road Policing unit 101. ends

Man arrested

A 22-year-old man from Leigh has been arrested in connection with an alleged sexual assault on a woman in her 40s.

The woman was cycling along Western Approaches, in Eastwood, when a man allegedly approached her and assaulted her in a clearing near a bus stop some time between 10.30pm on Sunday, May 12, and 1am on Monday, May 13.

Man assaulted

A MAN has been assaulted after two men broke into his flat and demanded money.

The men forced their way into the flat in St Georges Lane, between 9.45pm and 10.15pm on Friday, May 10, and got away with an unknown amount of cash.

The first suspect is described as white, aged in his 30s, 6ft tall, of medium build, with facial stubble. He was wearing a beige tracksuit jacket and black woolly hat with a turned up rim.

The second was black, slightly younger than the first aged about 28, 6ft 1ins tall, of slim athletic build with a shaved head. He wore navy clothing and black Nike trainers with a pearl coloured

Information to 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Estuary airport ruled out by committee

PLANS for a Thames Estuary Airport have been ruled out by the transport select committee.

The committee has stated the plans for a new hub-airport in the estuary are too expensive and environmentally damaging, with specific mention of the hundreds of thousands of birds that call the estuary home.

The RSPB has welcomed the deci-

sion with its head of conservation policy, Dr Sue Armstrong-Brown saying she was pleased the organisation's fierce defence of the Thames Estuary has been recognised by the transport select committee.

She said: "We welcome their recommendations not to allow the development of an airport there.

"However, the committee's report goes on to state that there is a need

to expand aviation in the south east of England. It goes further and supports expansion at Heathrow.

"We are as opposed to that as we are to the inappropriate development of the Thames Estuary."

Dr Armstrong-Brown explained although the airport would not be built the RSPB would oppose any sort of airport expansion at Heathrow.

On Friday the committee stated there was a necessity of expansion in the UK in the aviation industry.

This was despite a recent submission to the Government of a report commissioned by the RSPB and with other partners.

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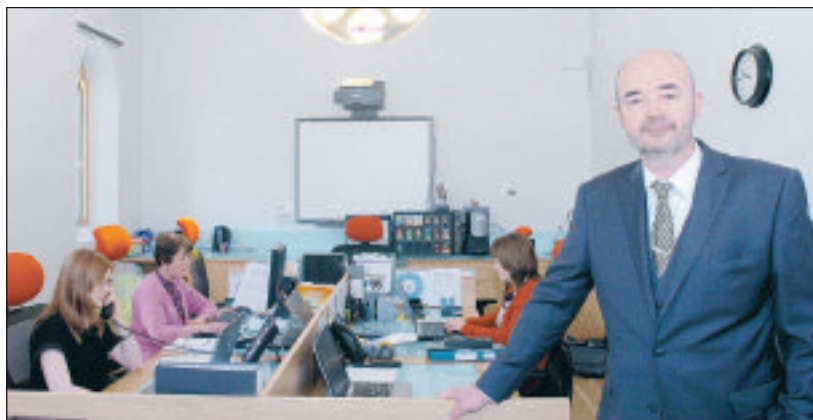


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WATCHDOG: Healthwatch Southend manager John Keay who will be monitoring in health and social services in Southend. Picture by Mark Cleveland

Health watchdog aims to give locals a voice

A NEW health watchdog has been set up in Southend.

Healthwatch Southend is an independent body funded by Southend council and is designed to work for the public.

Jonathan Keay, Healthwatch Southend manager, said the organisation was offering people a unique voice for their problems through its knowledge of the health sector.

Mr Keay said: "There have been many efforts made to engage with the public about health and social care issues previously, but never before

has it been done with the powers that Healthwatch has locally.

"If you've got something to shout about, we'll make sure the right people hear you. "Sometimes people want to make a complaint but don't know how.

"We can help people with the advocacy side whether that's filling out forms or writing letters.

"Frequently it is the case that people aren't well enough to tackle the complaint so that's where we come into help.

"Social care can also be a

difficult thing to navigate through if people haven't looked at it before so we help with that too."

The organisation also looks locally at any gaps in services that people might not be receiving and sends the information to the Department of Health.

If you would like to receive regular information about the work of Healthwatch Southend, you can become a Healthwatch Southend supporter by calling 01702 220104 or by emailing info@healthwatchsouthend.co.uk

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To Our Readers and Advertisers

We would like to take the opportunity of Local Newspaper Week to express our thanks to you, our readers and advertisers, for all you have done to support our town and its traders and charities.

This recession has not made life any easier over the past twelve months and the cold weather certainly didn't help during the early weeks of the so-called "Spring"! Our local traders have had to ride through this poor period, of course, as has your local newspaper.

As yet there are few signs of a sustained breakthrough from this worst recession in living memory but summer is coming and so, eventually, will the end of the downturn.

Like many of our readers and advertisers, your *Yellow Advertiser* has been through difficult times before. We have survived them and we'll survive this problem, as well as the special difficulties the press is facing right now.

The press will overcome this new problem, of course, as we've overcome many before it. Like many of our readers and advertisers, our proprietor was a child during the "slump" of the Twenties and early Thirties though he remembers it well.

He and many of you survived that, the bombing of London in 1940, war-time in the Army and four recessions since. We only mention this to keep current problems in perspective!

The new difficulty for the local press is that, as the result of a small minority of national papers breaking the law in relation to hacking - and those papers accepted that they were

wrong - all papers, including small local weekly ones like ours, are to be "punished" for the sins of one per cent of the industry.

Local weeklies like ours are stunned to find themselves included in this but many believe this can still be put right. After all, as Adrian Jeakings, president of the Newspaper Society said: "Lord Justice Leveson found that the UK's local media had nothing to do with the phone hacking scandal which prompted the inquiry."

Indeed, he praised regional and local newspapers for their important social and democratic role and recommended that the regulatory model proposed should not provide an added burden to our sector.

He called on the Government to look urgently at what action it might take to help safeguard regional and local newspapers' ongoing viability as a valued and important part of the British press.

"Yet the deal announced by the three main political parties completely ignores the Leveson recommendations on the local press."

"The Royal Charter proposals agreed by the Conservatives, Liberal Democrats and Labour - with huge financial penalties for newspapers who chose to be outside the system and an arbitration service which would open the floodgates to compensation claimants - would place a crippling burden on the UK's 1100 local newspapers inhibiting freedom of speech and freedom to publish."

"Local newspapers remain fiercely opposed to any form of statutory involvement or underpinning in the regulation of the press."

"A free press cannot be free if it is

dependent on and accountable to a regulatory body recognised by the state."

During a Commons debate, the Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg said: "Let us not forget that the hacking scandal was caused by some of our biggest newspapers, but it was still a minority of newspapers and certainly not the local and regional press, which must not pay the price for a problem they did not create."

Chairman of the Culture, Media and Sport select committee, John Whittingdale, added that: "We should recognise the vital importance of local newspapers and ensure that whatever system we introduce does not add to the burden on them at a time when they are experiencing very difficult economic circumstances."

The newspaper industry has now published its own draft Royal Charter which means The Queen faces the dilemma of being asked to approve two rival charters!

The charter proposed by the press would have investigative powers and resources to dig into cases of suspected wrongdoing, allowing it to call editors to account. Its board would be independent, its code of conduct drawn up after public consultation.

It meets the principles laid out by Lord Justice Leveson and it preserves press freedom.

Lord Leveson said in his report "By far the best solution to press standards would be a body established and organised by the industry."

The Government's proposed Royal Charter gives politicians the power to change the system of newspaper and magazine regulation - something that only 16 per cent of the public sup-



Sir Ray Tindle

ports. By a huge margin, 67 per cent of people said that "the new press regulation system should be set up in a way that does not give politicians the final say if and when changes need to be made", which is the basis of the Independent Royal Charter proposal.

Ah! Well! Perhaps it will all come out right in the end. In any case, our readers and advertisers have bigger problems to worry about - as have we!

So thanks again for all that you do for this town. All the very best to you for this year and for the better days that have always followed a recession and will most certainly do so again this time.

Ray Tindle
Proprietor

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Dementia team to visit libraries

THE dementia advocacy team will be visiting libraries in the borough to offer advice to people whose lives are touched by the disease.

The free drop in sessions aim to help people take control, change their lives and feel more valued in the community.

The next session will be held at Leigh library on Friday, May 17.

For details of more events call Lucy White on 01268 778959.

Vintage Southend

SOUTHEND Adult Community College is holding its annual performing arts concert 'Vintage Southend', on Friday, May 17.

The concert will be held in Belfairs High School main hall between 7pm and 9.30pm.

Students have been rehearsing for the past six months in preparation for the performance.

Annie Clark Inclusive Learning Manager says, "This is sure to be another wonderful night celebrating the achievements of our learners."

"These performances will showcase their talent and creativity. Huge thanks must go to all the performers, staff and volunteers for their fantastic efforts."

Lunchtime walks

FOR those looking to get a bit healthier free lunchtime walks have been set up in Southend.

The walks will run at 12.30pm every Wednesday and will last half an hour.

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Foster carers wanted

SOUTHEND council is pushing a recruitment drive for carers during the Foster Care Fortnight.

The fortnight will see a series of events giving information to people who are interested in becoming carers for foster children.

Andrew Stallard, who is the chairman of Southend Foster Families Council, has backed the campaign as he has been fostering children with his wife Kim since 2011.

Mr Stallard, said he and his wife had fallen into fostering after planning on selling up their home due to having spare bedrooms.

It was not until they started talking to a family friend who was fostering that they considered using the space to look after a child.

The 47-year-old said: "It doesn't really get real until you start doing the training to become a foster parent."

To become a foster parent you have to take part in a training programme and go through and assessment period to insure you are capable of looking after a child.

Mr Stallard said since starting fostering he hasn't looked back.

He added: "We learnt a hell of a lot from our training and its also great for your own family life as well."

"We have four children who had a normal average upbringing but we didn't know half of what we know

now when we were raising them.

"The best thing about being a foster parent is seeing the smile on a child's face who has never felt secure in life its a massive reward."

"When they say thank you to you as well that is worth all the effort you put into making them feel safe."

There will be a series of events over the Foster Care Fortnight which will give people information on what foster parents do and the process of becoming one.



FOSTER FORTNIGHT: Andrew Stallard is calling on people to come forward and take a position as a foster parent.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

When are the events being held?

■ Thursday May 16 - 10am until 4pm Reception area, ground floor of Southend Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend

■ Tuesday May 21 - 10am until noon and 6pm until 8pm - The Cliffs Pavilion, Station Road, Westcliff

■ Wednesday May 22 - 10am until 2pm Leigh Community Centre / Metal Café, Elm Road, Leigh

■ Saturday May 25 - 9:30am until 5:30pm at Southend Leisure and Tennis Centre, Garon Park, Southend

Breast Cancer Care - Headstrong

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Volunteers are the heart of Breast Cancer Care - Could you be one of them?

They are currently looking for volunteers to support their hair loss advisory service at Southend Hospital, called HeadStrong.

For many people, losing their hair as a result of treatment for cancer can be the most distressing side effect.

HeadStrong is a free service and you would be showing

clients how to cope with hair loss by demonstrating a range of headwear as well as giving advice on caring for their hair and scalp.

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New mayor sworn in

THE 93rd mayor of Southend was inaugurated last week on the same day as his 79th birthday.

Councillor Brian Kelly took over the position from councillor Sally Carr.

The retired company director who represents Southchurch Ward, was first elected to the council on May 1, 1997.

Mr Kelly said: "I'm honoured to be the mayor of Southend, I'm thrilled to have another opportunity to serve the community and the town."

"It was certainly a day to remember as far as we know I am the first mayor to be inaugurated on their birthday in Southend."

It is the second time that Cllr Kelly has become a mayor after taking the position in



MAYOR: Councillor Brian Kelly

Amersham Rural Council 41 years ago.

The chosen charities for this year's mayorship will be the Citizens Advice Bureau, Southend Homeless Action

Resource Project and Trustlinks.

Councillor Chris Walker, who represents Eastwood Park Ward for the Conservatives, was sworn in as deputy mayor.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

Burglary operation launched

A NEW operation has been launched to prevent burglaries in Southend.

Operation Bisley will see officers patrolling potential burglary hotspots looking for potential ways people could break in.

If an officer identifies a home as a target they will approach the owners to tell them about the risks they have and how to improve them.

Michael Armstrong, Essex Police crime prevention tactical advisor, said prevention was better than cure when it came down to home security.

He said: "It is really simple to



OPERATION BISLEY: Peter Barron, Michael Armstrong, and Franz Kastner at the mobile police office in Southchurch.

deter burglars by remembering that security begins at home."

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FANS of British R&B band Dr Feelgood are invited to see an exhibition of memorabilia.

The free exhibition at The Canvey Club features a collection of concert posters, record sleeves, press cuttings and previously unseen photos from the old school band's history.

The new collection brings together more than 40 years of musical mementos from the

days of Down By The Jetty and Milk and Alcohol all the way through to the modern era.

Dr Feelgood manager, Chris 'Whitey' Fenwick, urged fans to visit the exhibition in Canvey where the band cut their teeth before exploding onto the London pub rock scene.

He said: "We've never had so many mementos in one place. It's a unique opportunity to get

close to the artefacts and imagery from one of the world's most exciting live bands."

The exhibition will be on display at The Canvey Club, 162 High Street, Canvey SS8 7SS, until Sunday, May 26. The opening times are Monday to Friday, from noon to 10.30pm and between noon and 3.30pm and from 7pm to 10.30pm on Saturdays and Sundays.

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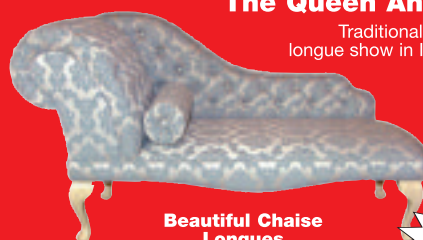
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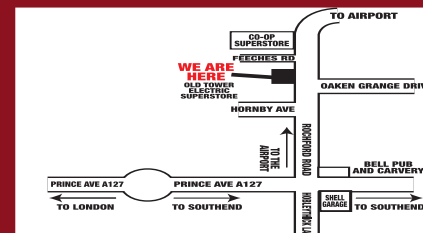
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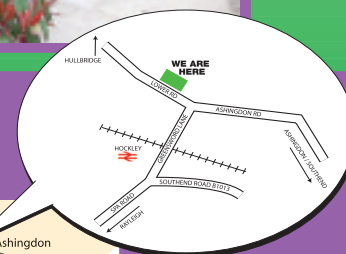
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MURAL: Southend East and Rochford MP James Duddridge (centre), with c2c MD Julian Drury (left), artist Paul and a group of pupils from Hamstel with the mural.

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A GROUP of children from Hamstel primary school have designed a new mural for Southend East train station.

For their hard work they have been rewarded with a special trip on their own private train.

The mural depicts the range of attractions that can be reached on the c2c line, from the beach at Southend to the landmarks of London. Based on designs by pupils from Hamstel, it even features the Queen in a starring role as a train driver.

Officially unveiling the mural

with a group of pupils from Hamstel, James Duddridge MP said it was great to see that c2c was investing in how the station looks and feels.

He said: "I particularly like the way this mural shows Southend beach at one end, where I'd like to spend most of my time, and the Houses of Parliament at the other end where I do spend most of my time."

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Community project partnership

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Improvements are intended to encourage community interaction and walking and cycling in the project area.

Police trace thief

POLICE are appealing for help in tracing a man in connection with a theft from a shop in Southend.

A man entered the Londis shop in Southchurch Road, just after 5pm on April 19, selected a bottle of soft drink from display and left without paying for it.

The suspect is described as white, aged around 19-years-old, and wore white trainers, blue jeans and a dark coat with the hood up.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Pc Ann Bush at Southend police station on 101.

Lifeboat rescues

A LIFEBOAT crew saved a capsized catamaran a quarter of a mile out at sea from the shore at Chalkwell.

The lifeboat was sent out at 1.48pm on Sunday, May 12, to rescue two people who were finding it hard to upright the boat.

Crews helped by dropping the water filled sails and pulled the vessel upright and made sure the sailors were able to carry on their journey.

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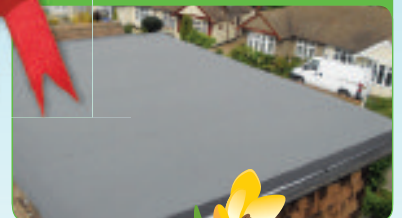
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New police boss: Officers must work harder

THE NEW chief constable of Essex Police has said officers will need to work harder to meet three priorities he has laid out.

Stephen Kavanagh, who was appointed as chief constable at the start of this month, said he wants to see officers reducing crime, catching more criminals and deliver a greater level of satisfac-

tion to victims.

In a statement last week Mr Kavanagh said he wanted officers to particularly 'have the law-abiding people of Essex at the forefront of their minds in dealing with everything from burglary and robbery to anti-social behaviour and speeding.'

He stressed that the 'small things matter' including officers taking pride in their uniform, meeting their appointments, and appearing professional at all times.

Mr Kavanagh said: "We need to work hard particularly around the quality of service we are giving to victims when they do call us for help."

"We need to turn up on time, we need to give victims and witnesses quality information, and we need to make sure they've got a permanent

point of contact if they need it."

The chief constable, who is on £192,163 salary a year, is also looking at cracking down on knife crime and reduce the amount of time officers take to visit people calling the non emergency number.

Mr Kavanagh said it is important that families, who are worried about their sons or daughters carrying knives, work with the police and schools to tackle the problem.

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Opinion and readers' letters

It's the best form of democracy

SURELY it's high time that those still excitedly agitating against the proposed new hospice in Leigh gave it a rest.

For this issue will now be decided by a planning inspector 'standing in the shoes of the secretary of state' by way of a calmly 'all things' considered thoroughgoing public inquiry.

It's the best democracy that money can buy and recognition that contentiously pressured councils often have great difficulty getting these things right with some 30 per cent of appeals succeeding.

And this hugely supported application – hugely supported even in Leigh, opponents of this so very worthy appeal must admit – was always, in my opinion, destined to go to appeal in order to get a fair hearing.

That is democracy in action ... no more, no less ... like it or loath it ... but accept it as the best system yet devised with which to organise ourselves.

Personally, I fervently hope that Havens win.

I think they'll then do as excellent a job as they have done at their wonderful children's hospice in Thundersley – to which some were equally bitterly opposed at the time it

is worth reminding ourselves – and thus expect any angry parochial and greenly misguided opposition to similarly die out pretty quickly.

Quite possibly under the auspices of Havens Hospices enlightened hospice provision.

John Haran
Leigh-on-Sea

Thatcher gave back to the nation

SINCE Lady Thatcher passed away, I have not heard one comment from the media about her generosity to the nation.

When she was made Prime Minister in 1979, she announced that every year that she was Prime Minister, she would give to the nation £10,000 of her salary.

She was Prime Minister for 11.5 years.

Barbara Wilkins
Great Wakering

Airports are bound to be noisy

SURPRISINGLY it appears that residents, or at least a few living anywhere near to any airport, are forever complaining about planes that are flying

to and fro.

Surely they should complain to the agent or solicitor who dealt with the sale for failing to inform them of the presence of an airport?

What about their schools for not informing them that planes land and take-off at all airports and they also bring jobs and people to the area thus increasing earnings and much needed trade to the local shopkeepers.

Chas Cheesman
Southend-on-Sea
Readers letters

You have missed my point

IN REPLY to Sheila Cleary's letter (May 9) I was not querying the 30 minutes it took to make the journey to Rayleigh, as obviously stopping at bus stops takes longer than driving a car, but on the back of the new Arriva buses it states their service is approx. every 12 minutes.

All four times I waited for the bus it was a 30 minute wait. She obviously hasn't been on the new Arriva buses because I asked the driver why there was no luggage area and was told it allowed more seats and people should take their luggage in with them.

I do have a bus pass as at 75 years old I am entitled to it but if people don't want them they

don't have to hand them back they just don't have to use them!

Yvonne Dowson
Benfleet

Crossings pose a danger

I DON'T understand the point of spending money on replacing the tiles on the sea front road with ones that don't look much different. I don't see these as crossings and I also don't believe drivers will.

Apparently Southend Council expects drivers will stop for pedestrians when they get used to them. This seems completely crazy to me as even if this was possible, surely they don't believe only locals use the sea front.

I agree with campaigner for the blind and disabled Jill Allen-King that proper kerbs and proper official crossings need to be installed. On top of this they now are held up because of a power cable muck-up, you couldn't make it up.

Alan James
Hockley

Lack of parking was an issue

MY husband and I really enjoy the concerts in Priory Park and they are excellent.

What we find difficult is the parking. On bank holiday Sunday, parking the car was a nightmare and stressful for many people. Why? Because the overflow car park was shut. On a beautiful day and a great band in attendance why was the gate shut?

It spoilt what was to be a great afternoon out.

Brenda Yates
Address supplied

Shop local to halt the decline

MANY of us will be aware of local shops closing in our area. A combination of high rents, rates, and competition from Supermarkets (especially their 'Extra' outlets) has taken their toll. They are being replaced by betting or charity shops, takeaways, or simply left empty.

Our local shops are important for our elderly and infirm but also our community. For many of us the local shops are the main or only point of contact to meet neighbours and the wider members of our community. Unfortunately the less the variety of shops the less likely people will actually

shop in the area at all.

Local and national governments have presided over this decline rather than fought it. They could have discounted rates, tax or rents to protect small shops but have chosen not to. So the only answer to halt this decline is for residents to shop local. If a community use their existing local shops wherever possible, rather than a supermarket chain, they might survive.

Graham Williamson
Elm Park

A recipe for disaster and delight

I AM not against properties being built, especially social affordable housing, but there are areas of natural beauty that should not be built on and Dry Street is one of them.

I have therefore made my argument into a recipe idea: DRY STREET DISASTER

1. Bring in the machine to churn up the ground.
2. Remove wildlife, habitats, rare and protected flora and fauna. Then move away sports and recreational areas.
3. Add a main road then attach other roads to it.

4. Lay houses, buildings and payments. Then garnish with pipes filled with gas, electricity and water.

5. Generously sprinkle with traffic congestion, disruption and pollution to the surrounding area.

6. When finished. Take a step back and see what a disaster it is.

DRY STREET DELIGHT

1. Get all the Dry Street building plans.

2. Rip them up in small pieces and put them in a bin.

3. Leave Dry Street as intended. Stand back, admire and realize what we have. Beautiful, natural and a delight. Nothing added with the exception of four seasons. No contest is there?!

Lynne Hayward
via e-mail

Will pool and ice rink ever happen?

THE council betrayed the Olympic Legacy by closing the Romford Ice Rink, particularly without providing temporary skating facilities until a new rink opened.

We are told the new Morrisons superstore and flats development by Queen's Hospital will fund the new ice rink and swimming pool in a new Leisure Centre in Western Road.

But will this ever happen? This project will be technically expensive to deliver, because it involves putting the new ice rink directly above the

swimming pool!

The problem is the heat from the pool melts the ice, which is why it is almost never attempted.

Instead the Council should have taken a more prudent approach and given Morrison's the go-ahead (no flats) in exchange for refurbishing the existing and popular ice rink.

And any funds remaining could have been used to refurbish our existing swimming pools or build a new pool (only) on the Western Road site.

CLlr David Durant
Rainham and Wennington
Independent Residents Group

Baffled by recent road repairs

AM I the only one to be exasperated by Havering Council's policy on road resurfacing? Time and again I notice that when resurfacing takes place, it always seems to be on sections of road that don't really need it, while roads that do need it go begging.

Recent examples I have seen include Upminster Road, Brentwood Road, Mercury Gardens and Abbs Cross Lane. In the case of Brentwood Road, a long section of good road on one side of the Drill was resurfaced, while a truly terrible section precisely the other side was left untouched!

I have previously asked the council to explain its criteria for deciding which roads are repaired, and whether physical inspection takes place first – the reply to this was a deafening silence.

We constantly hear the council proclaiming how efficiently it is using public funds. When there is so much need for road repairs in the borough, misdirecting precious resources in this manner seems to me to be the very opposite.

Russell Barnes
Hornchurch

Who is the clown now Ken?

WITH UKIP's success in the elections of May 2, I should like to ask Mr Ken Clarke who is now the clown? It is as rash for a clown to dub other people clowns as it is for the occupant of a glass house to throw stones.

I am not a 'UKIPPER' myself but I think that UKIP's policy on the EU and immigration is infinitely better than the policies of the traditional parties on those subjects. I shall probably vote UKIP in future elections.

Richard Clements
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Strictly hot steps it into Southend

by Richard Barber

STRICTLY Confidential is a song-and-dance extravaganza dreamt up, directed and co-ordinated by Craig Revel Horwood, tell-it-like-it-is judge on BBC1's run-away hit, Strictly Come Dancing.

Starring Lisa Riley and professional dancers Artem Chigvintsev, Natalie Lowe and Ian Waite, it tells their individual stories and weaves in routines – everything from ballroom to a clog dance – in an evening that Craig hopes will make your spirits soar even while you suppress the occasional sniffle.

"I interviewed all four of them to find out their life stories," says Craig, "the ups and downs of becoming dancers that brought them to the point of being involved in Strictly. I then wrote an autobiographical arc for each of them. I was keen to construct a show that wasn't just a series of demonstration dances."

We'll hear from Lisa about losing her beloved mother, Cath, to cancer just weeks before Lisa started on Strictly. "Cath's favourite song," says Craig, "was In My Daughter's Eyes. Lisa will tell the audience how she coped before going into a dance based on that song. It's absolutely beautiful."

But there'll be some fun, too, including a ballet based on

Emmerdale in which she appeared as Mandy Dingle.

Similarly, we'll learn about Artem's tough time growing up in Russia, about Ian confronting his sexuality, and how Natalie had to beat the odds to follow her dream.

Craig added: "I want to show how they've battled obstacles with courage and that very often it's through song and dance that they've found a way forward."

"I also want to take the audience backstage at Strictly to show the nerves that everyone feels before they come out and dance in front of 14 million people with a camera thrust in their face. I'm trying to reveal the face behind the mask."

Helping in that process will be a stunning selection of costumes worn on the TV show that will be on display at each venue visited by the Strictly Confidential tour.

Lisa said: "I'm never happier than when I've got a smile on my face and I'm given the opportunity to perform. I could be working in Asda but I'm not; I'm doing the career I've always wanted. I think Craig spotted that quite early on, but not initially."

Certainly, Artem couldn't be happier. He said: "I'll be dancing with Lisa which I'm very excited about because she did so amazingly on Strictly last season."

Artem, who started dancing in Russia when he was 12, added: "At 16 I moved to Germany because I'd found a German dancing partner who really suited my style. It was scary and exciting at the same time. I had to learn quickly – how to cook, do my own washing and so on."

He returned home then moved to America where he got involved with the Dancing With The Stars tour.

"It was while I was performing in Korea in the Burn The Floor show that I was contacted by the producer of Strictly and became one of the professional dancers in the competition in 2010. I was so lucky."

Natalie, who lived next door to a ballroom dance hall in Sydney, said: "I was five when I won my first competition and first represented Australia in an international contest in Taiwan when I was eight. I then went on to be a four-times ballroom dancing champion."

After five series of Dancing With The Stars in Australia, Natalie joined the 'cast' of Strictly in 2009.

She added: "I could have gone to the American version but I wanted to come to the UK more because the quality of ballroom dancing here is the best in the

world."

Ian Waite, who first got interested in dance around the age of 10 from watching old musicals with his grandmother, added: "At 11, I went to dance classes with my father. The first competition I entered, I won. The dye was cast. At 18, I was European champion in my age group in Latin American dance."

He then moved to Holland where he and his partner became Dutch champions while also being in the Top 10 in the world. Back in the UK, he teamed up with Camilla Dallerup and then joined Strictly for its second series. He's been involved ever since.

"And now comes Strictly Confidential," added Ian. "Can't wait."

Craig says: "This is a show that in some ways isn't so very different from A Chorus Line, currently back in the West End. It's an exploration of the people who make their living through dance. And, I might add, a great night out!"

"Strictly Confidential will be at the Cliffs Pavilion, Southend, from June 20 22. For tour details, call Ticketzone on 08444 99 99 55 or visit

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Based loosely on a magazine article, the original The Fast And The Furious overcame a lukewarm critical reception to set the 2001 summer box office alight, introducing audiences to the thrills and spills of turbo-charged street racing.

With the exception of the third film, The Fast And The Furious: Tokyo Drift, which is the only chapter not to headline Vin Diesel and Paul Walker, the budgets and box office takings for successive offerings have steadily increased, roaring to an impressive \$626 million for Fast & Furious 5, which noticeably upped the ante for adrenaline-pumping automotive set-pieces including a theft from a moving train and an outrageous sequence of two cars towing a bank vault at high speed through the streets of Rio de Janeiro.

Director Justin Lin puts the pedal to the metal for this sixth instalment of the souped-up action franchise, reuniting the cast of the previous film.

Dominic Toretto (Diesel), Brian O'Conner (Walker) and their gang - comprising Dominic's sister Mia (Jordana Brewster), fast-talking Roman Pearce



Vin Diesel put his foot down in Fast & Furious 6

PA Photo/UPI Media

(Tyrese Gibson), technical wizard Tej (Chris 'Ludacris' Bridges), drift racer Han (Sung Kang) and speed freak Gisele (Gal Gadot) - are fugitives from the law after their daredevil antics stealing \$100 million from a drug lord.

Tenacious federal agent Luke Hobbs (Dwayne Johnson) and rookie sidekick Elena (Elsa Pataky) track down Dominic and Brian and offer the racers an opportunity to expunge their criminal records in exchange for bringing down British criminal mastermind Owen

Shaw (Luke Evans) and his goons.

Complicating matters, Owen's right-hand woman is Dominic's old flame, Letty (Michelle Rodriguez), who everyone thought had been murdered in a previous instalment.

Engines roar and rubber burns as Dominic, Brian and the gang embark on their most audacious and perilous mission adventure yet, pitting them against the usual array of automobiles and a heavily armoured tank.

Released: May 17

Music

Who Is Leonard Bopper?

BASILDON band Ease Springs released their debut album this week after years of work.

Who Is Leonard Bopper? was released on Monday on CD and has also been made available in digital download form.

The album is attached to its own html animated website and has been designed by Dan Hewitt of Sidrat Studios based in Chelmsford along with all the artwork. The website follows the exploits of a Private Eye and a missing girl in this online graphic crime saga and a twisted plot for justice.

Ease Springs have also woven the lyrics from the songs on the album into the storyline. The Essex band have been working on the album and the concept story idea for about two years and say they are very pleased with the outcome.

Ease Springs are a rock band and formed in Basildon in 2004. It was founded by guitarist and singer Steve Hernaman who wanted to pursue a career in music.

The group got its name from the command used in the British forces in order to spring the working parts of the rifle forward, in other words 'Ready for Action'.

After a few different line-ups the band went firm in 2008 with guitarist Steve Hernaman, bassist Steve Harrison and drummer Gerald Brook and relocated to Chelmsford.

The band lost Steve Harrison last year as he moved to New York City, but new bassist Sam Kelly is fully up to speed with his new bandmates.

Ease Springs released their first single called 'Somewhere In Between' in 2008 and followed this with an extensive list of perfor-



SPOTLIGHT: Ease Springs

mances. Somewhere In Between became very well known throughout Essex and London and also gained exposure on many local radio stations even getting a mention on national radio. The band then released 'Transparent', then more recently 'No Sleep Tonight'.

Sam Kelly has now joined Ease Springs on Bass and backing vocals and is adding his touch on the new music of the band.

For more information on the band and to check upcoming gig dates, visit www.easesprings.com

Liz at Large

YA features reporter Liz Wade goes out and about with her boys



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While this Elizabethan Copped

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watched the zeppelns over London during the Second World War. Or better still, join Copped Hall on one of its open days to support the project or even donate some money to transform something on its wish list.

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- Meeting, Brush Strokes Art Group, Highlands Methodist Church, Leigh, every Saturday 9.15am-12.15pm, new members welcome. 01277 627043.
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- Quaker Meeting for silent worship and meditation, Quaker Meeting House, Dundonald Drive, Leigh, Sundays 10.30-11.30am, followed by conversation over tea and biscuits, all welcome.
- King's Church Southend at Blenheim School, off Blenheim Chase, Leigh, every Sunday 10.30am-noon, a church where knowing Jesus makes all the difference. 01702 523639.
- King's Church Tarpons at St Mary's Church Hall, High Road, Benfleet, every Sunday 10.30am-12.30pm, church but not as you know it. 01268 750520.
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- Mojo Friendship Club, Travellers Joy, Downhall Road, Rayleigh, 11.30am, meet weekly, open to all, details Mo on 07757 658799.

Monday, May 20

- Meeting, Canvey Island U3A, The Paddocks, Long Road, Canvey, 1-4pm, talk with slide show by Tim Sheppard RNL, further details of group activities and trips contact Ernie 01268 752080 or John and Ruth on 690485.
- Mainstream Jazz, Spike's Place Jazz Club, Hadleigh Conservative Club, 24 High Street, Hadleigh, 'Jacqui Hicks Quartet', 8pm.
- New Art Class starting, Women's Institute Hall, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh, 10am-noon, with artist Paul Alcock, beginners and experienced students welcome. 01702 615475.
- Meeting, Benfleet Camera Club, St George's Church Hall, Rushbottom Lane, Benfleet, 'AGM plus social time', 8-10pm. 01702 589720.
- Jazz, Oakwood, Rayleigh Road,

- Eastwood, Ron Spack's Jazztet with John Sharpe saxophone/Dave Mascall guitar, 8.30pm. 01702 512819.
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- Dementia Cafe, Alzheimer's Society, Shoebury Baptist Church, Thorpehead Gardens, Shoeburyness, for everyone affected with dementia, speaker from Healthtalk Optical Services, cream tea for Dementia Awareness week (duration £1), 2-4pm.
- Walk, Ramblers Friends Group, meet 10.30am, East Hanningfield, The Tye, Windmill Tavern, 4 miles, pub lunch.
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- Line Dancing, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, every Tuesday and Thursday, details 01268 465854.
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Spaghetti Junction offers a

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The restaurant has also recently introduced a Gluten Free Starter & Main Course

Menu and a Gluten Free Dessert Menu. Both of these menus are available from Monday to Saturday and offer a wide choice of deliciously mouth-watering dishes.* Spaghetti Junction is the ideal setting for parties of up to 30 people and is also available for private functions.

There is also a Takeaway Service available for those who want to enjoy dishes from the A La Carte and Gluten Free menus, as well as pizza and pasta, in the comfort of their own home.

The restaurant, situated at 767 London Road, Westcliff (opposite Chalkwell Park), is open from Monday to Saturday evenings from 6pm until late.

For further information call Spaghetti Junction on 01702 473388 or visit www.spaghettijunction-restaurant.co.uk where full details of all the menus can be found.

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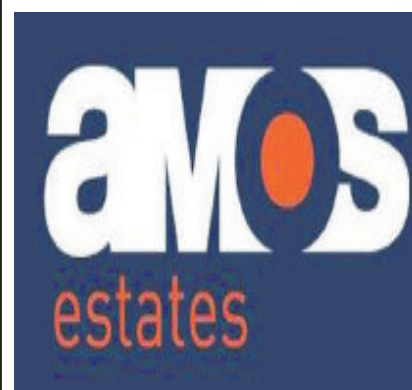


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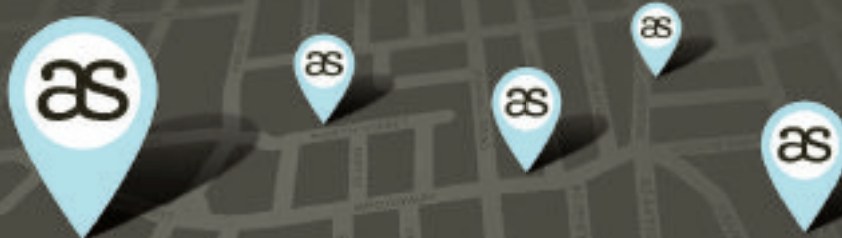


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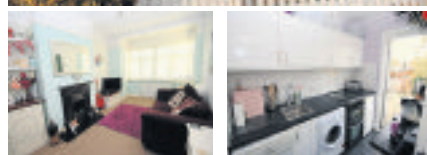
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£99,995



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Rochford

£129,995



A Modern two bedroom purpose built apartment situated in a sought after location and has the advantage of a large lounge, modern fitted bathroom suite and double glazing, the property further benefits from communal gardens and parking. Maintained to a high standard, viewing is strongly advised.

Rayleigh

£234,995



A unique extended two / three bedroom, three reception room semi detached house located within yards of the high street. The property benefits fitted kitchen, double glazed conservatory, off road parking, Upvc double glazed conservatory, gas central heating and no onward chain. Viewing essential. SOLE AGENTS.

South Fambridge

£365,000



Situated in the semi rural village of South Fambridge and yet only a few minutes drive from the mainline railway station is this extended and truly immaculate four bedroom detached family home. The property includes three reception rooms, utility room, two en-suites, family bathroom, large balcony and enclosed veranda. From the rear of the property there are views over the River Crouch. Viewing essential! No onward chain!

Rochford

£795 pcm



A new 2 bed 1st apartment located in Rochford. Allocated parking, a fitted kitchen and modern white bathroom. Close Railway Station and a short walk from the Town square.

Ashington

£1,100 pcm



Set within grounds of 2/3 of an acre is this charming two bedroom, two reception room detached bungalow. Positioned within a rural location backing on to open farmland the property has been well maintained and benefits from double glazing throughout. Available immediately.



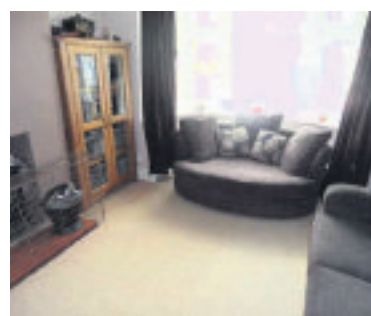
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LEIGH ON SEA £324,995

Norton Properties are pleased to offer For sale this Three bedroom extended semi detached house situated close to local school Westleigh catchment area, Belfairs Woods and Golf course. The property has off street parking to front, Cloakroom, Kitchen/diner and Conservatory. Viewing advised



SOUTHEND ON SEA £128,850

Norton Properties are offering for sale this ground floor purpose built apartment. The property comprises Two bedrooms, one reception room, modern fitted bathroom and modern fitted kitchen. Also benefiting from double glazing, electric storage heating



SOUTHEND ON SEA £119,995

Located close to Southend Town Centre Norton Properties are pleased to offer this Three bedroom First floor flat with Lounge to front, Kitchen to rear, Bathroom and offering No onward chain.



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WOW WHAT A FLAT We are delighted to offer this THREE bedroom ground floor flat situated in this wonderful purpose built building which is within easy access of Chalkwell seafront. It offers a Lounge to the front and Bedroom with terrace, Fitted Kitchen, Dining area with views overlooking the gardens, Utility room, Double length garage, Communal gardens and easy access to Westcliff train station.



SOUTHEND ON SEA £114,995

Located within easy access of Southend town centre for shops and amenities Norton Properties offer this Two bedroom purpose built First Floor Flat. The property offers security entry system, Lounge/diner 15'4 x 12'6, Bathroom and a Fitted Kitchen and Parking to rear.



WESTCLIFF ON SEA £235,000

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NEW INSTRUCTIONS



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WESTCLIFF £220,000

3 Bedroom Semi Detached House. Through Lounge/Diner. Kitchen. Detached Garage. EER. E.



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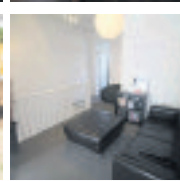
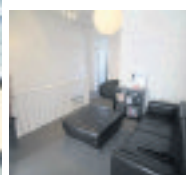
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Westcliff On Sea £260,000

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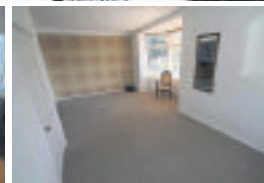
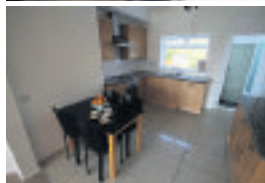
- ➔ Three double bedrooms
- ➔ Large ground floor
- ➔ Sympathetically restored
- ➔ Lounge
- ➔ Dining room
- ➔ Attractive Fitted kitchen
- ➔ Utility room
- ➔ En-suite shower room
- ➔ West backing rear garden
- ➔ Off street parking

Cliffdown Conservation Area £390,000



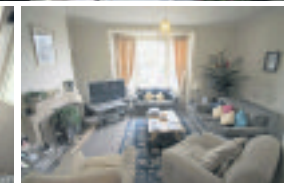
Situated within the sought after Cliffdown Conservation Area and directly overlooking bowling green is this immaculate character maisonette with two reception rooms, three bedrooms and two feature South facing sun balconies. There is a garage set within a coach house with top floor providing large storage/hobby room. Courtyard garden.

Cliffdown Conservation Area £535,000



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Cliffdown Conservation Area £460,000



Three storied Victorian town house which is currently split into two self contained apartments offering spacious accommodation and having the advantage of West backing rear garden and detached garage. Extensive views over the bowling green. The property requires general refurbishment and offers enormous potential and early vacant possession. EPC rating E & F.

Leigh On Sea £625 pcm



Immaculate first floor flat offering spacious accommodation throughout. The property offers a large lounge and has two double bedrooms, there is a modern white bathroom suite with electric shower and shower curtain over the bath. There is a good size kitchen with ample storage cupboards and a fitted oven and hob. The property has gas central heating and fully double glazed and is approached via rear access off of Sidney Road.

Westcliff On Sea £475 pcm



First floor flat situated within a sought after location of Westcliff, South of the railway line and close to seafront, lounge incorporating kitchen area with integrated electric oven and grill, four ring gas hob with extractor fan, large double bedroom, bathroom/wc, full double glazing, gas central heating and off street parking.

Leigh On Sea £655 pcm



Purpose built ground floor apartment situated within a central location and sought after location of Leigh, lounge, fitted kitchen with integrated oven and hob, plumbing and recess for washing machine, recess for refrigerator, two double bedrooms, shower room/wc, full gas central heating and double glazing, attractive communal gardens.

Westcliff On Sea £675 pcm



Spacious first floor apartment being situated in a central location of Westcliff within close proximity to Westcliff station and seafront. The property includes a large lounge/diner with views towards the Estuary and there are three good size bedrooms. The kitchen includes a built in oven and hob and there is a white bathroom suite with shower facilities. There is also communal parking facilities.

Witham £550 pcm



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Thundersley £220,000

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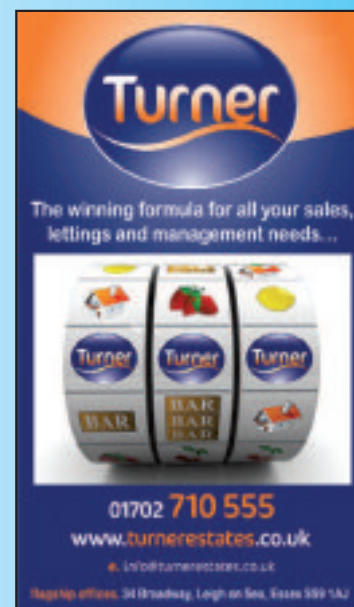
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Rayleigh

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£250,000



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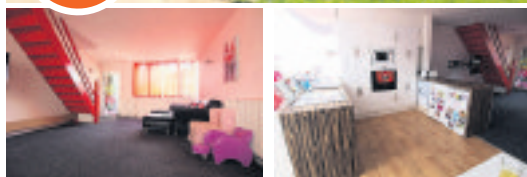
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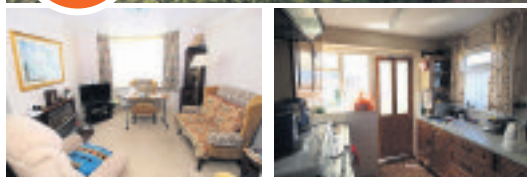
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OPEN HOME THIS SATURDAY 18TH MAY 11AM - 1PM. 17 BROUGHTON ROAD, HADLEIGH, ESSEX, SS7 2HD. JUST TURN UP! Attractive Two Bedroom Semi Detached Bungalow \ Popular And Convenient Location \ Lounge 14'5 x 11'9 \ Kitchen 6'9 x 6'3 \ Morning Room 10'11 x 8'7 \ Bedroom One 13'5 x 10'8 \ Bedroom Two 13'6 x 8'8 \ Three Piece Suite \ West Facing Garden Measuring Approximately 90ft \ Double Glazed Throughout \ Walking Distance Of Hadleigh Town Centre And Hadleigh Castle \ No Onward Chain \ Sole Agents \ Keys Held For Advised Viewings \ Call 01702 555888

BENFLEET

£239,995



80ft Garden



Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow \ Popular South Of A13 Location \ Easy Access Of Benfleet Station And Local Schools \ Lounge 25'11 x 11'0 \ Kitchen 10'10 x 8'7 \ Sitting Room 10'10 x 6'5 \ Lean To 8'3 x 6'2 \ Bedroom One 12'11 x 10'11 \ Bedroom Two 12'6 x 7'7 \ Three Piece Bathroom Suite \ Double Glazed Throughout \ Gas Central Heating Via Combination Condensing Boiler \ Sole Agents \ 80ft Rear Garden \ Garage And Further Parking \ Keys Held For Accompanied Viewings \ EPC Band E \ Call 01702 555888

BENFLEET

£225,000



Close To Station

Well Maintained Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow \ Good Size Accommodation \ Lounge 14'10 x 9'5 \ Kitchen 9'5 x 6'10 \ Conservatory 16'3 x 5'9 \ Bedroom One 10'2 x 9 \ Dressing Room 8'9 x 5'11 \ Bedroom Two 11'5 x 9'7 \ Three Piece Bathroom Suite \ Detached Garage \ Off Street Parking \ Full Gas Central Heating \ Double Glazing \ Popular Location \ Walking Distance Of Benfleet Station And Shops \ Viewings Recommended \ Call 01702 555888

HADLEIGH

£170,000



150ft Garden

Vacant Two Bedroom Terraced House \ 150ft South Facing Rear Garden \ Lounge 12'0 x 8'11 \ Kitchen 10'0 x 6'0 \ Dining Room 11'0 x 11'0 \ Bedroom One 11'0 x 12'11 x 8'11 \ Bedroom Two 10'0 x 5'0 \ Hadleigh Primary School Catchment \ Refurbished Throughout \ Sole Agents \ Easy Access Of Town Centre \ Three Piece Bathroom Suite \ Off Street Parking \ Re-Wired \ Viewings Advised \ Call 01702 555888

LEIGH-ON-SEA

£369,995



No Onward Chain

Character Four Bedroom Family Home \ Lounge 15 x 13'3 \ Dining Room 13'5 x 11'10 \ Kitchen/Breakfast Room 16'2 x 11'8 With Under Floor Heating \ Cloakroom \ Utility Room \ Bedroom One 14'11 x 13'4 \ Bedroom Two 11'7 x 11'1 With En-Suite \ Bedroom Three 10'9 x 9'11 \ Bedroom Four 10'9 x 9'4 \ Four Piece Family Bathroom Suite \ West Facing Garden Directly Onto Playing Fields \ Popular Cul De Sac \ Walking Distance Of Belfairs Park And Golf Club \ No Onward Chain \ Call 01702 555888

HADLEIGH

£210,000



Beautifully Maintained

Two Bedroom Detached Family Home \ Kitchen/Diner 16'7 x 8 \ Lounge/Diner 20'8 x 12'0 max \ Bedroom One 12'0 x 11'11 \ Bedroom Two 12'0 x 10'5 \ Bathroom M/C \ Sought After Location \ Well Maintained Throughout \ Approximately 70ft Landscaped Rear Garden \ Off Street Parking \ UPVC Double Glazed Throughout \ Gas Central Heating Via Combination boiler \ Viewing advised \ Call 01702 555888

HADLEIGH

£159,995



Sought After Complex

Well Maintained Two Bedroom Retirement Apartment \ Extremely Sought After Development \ Lounge 19'3 x 10'1 \ Kitchen 10'1 x 7'3 \ Bedroom One 13'6 x 9 \ Bedroom Two 12' x 6' Max \ Modern Four Bathroom Suite \ Well Tended Communal Gardens \ Double Glazing \ 24 Hour Care Line \ No Onward Chain \ Walking Distance Of Hadleigh Town Centre, Hadleigh Castle And Bus Routes \ Viewings Essential \ Epc Rating - B \ Call 01702 555888

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Weir Gardens, RAYLEIGH / £209,995



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Glasseys Lane, RAYLEIGH / £275,000



Must be seen
inside



Three Bedroom Semi Detached House \ Stylishly Decorated \ Spacious Living Accommodation \ Very Well Positioned for Both High Street & Rayleigh Weir \ Ground Floor Cloakroom \ Lounge 22'0 x 12'0 \ Dining Room 10'10 x 8'10 \ Study 9'0 x 5'0 \ Modern High Gloss Kitchen/Breakfast Room 20'0 x 9'0 \ Utility Room 6'0 x 5'0 \ Three Good Size Bedrooms \ Family Bathroom \ Off Street Parking \ Must Be Viewed \ Call 01268 742742 \

RAYLEIGH

£750,000



Fantastic five bedroom family residence \ Set upon a magnificent plot \ Within the prestigious Nelson Road turning amongst homes of a similar quality \ The property offers substantial, stylishly decorated living space \ An early viewing appointment is essential \ Lounge 20'0 x 14'0 \ Dining room 14'10 x 12'0 \ Family room 12'0 x 10'0 \ Study 10'0 x 7'10 \ Kitchen 13'0 x 11'0 \ Utility room 10'0 x 5'0 \ Cloakroom \ Five good size bedrooms \ En-suite to master \ Double garage \ Sought after Fitzwimarc & Edward Francis catchment area \ Call 01268 742742 \

RAYLEIGH

£229,995



Charming two bedroom cottage style property \ Positioned within a highly sought after position \ Close to Rayleigh Town Centre \ The property has been redecorated throughout \ Offered for sale with no onward chain \ 12'0 X 12'0 Lounge \ 12'0 X 9'0 Dining Room \ Fitted 9'0 X 9'0 Kitchen \ Bathroom Suite \ Bedroom One 12' X 9'0 \ Bedroom Two 12'0 x 9'0 \ Garage & Carport \ Large Garden \ No Onward Chain \ Must Call 01268 742742

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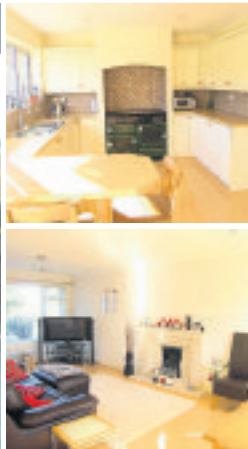
£295,000



Character detached bungalow \ Set upon a large elevated plot \ Very short walking distance of Rayleigh High Street & Train Station \ Many quirky features \ We hold keys for an immediate viewing appointment \ No onward chain \ Lounge 15'0 x 9'11 \ Dining Room/Bedroom Three 11'0 x 9'11 \ Kitchen 10'10 x 9'11 \ Conservatory 8'0 x 6'0 \ Bedroom One 15'0 x 9'11 \ Bedroom Two 11'0 x 9'11 \ Three Piece Bathroom Suite \ Good Size Rear Garden \ Off Street Parking \ No Onward Chain \ Must be viewed \ Call 01268 742742 \

Thorpe Bay

£1350 pcm



Four Bedroom Detached House/ Fitted Kitchen 11'0 x 11'11 to include Range cooker & Hob, Integrated Dishwasher & Fridge / Dining Area 10'11 x 10'5 / Lounge 24'4 x 11'11 With Feature Fireplace / Cloakroom / Bedroom One 12'6 x 10'11 With Luxury En-Suite/ Bedroom Two 12'1 x 9'11 With Fitted Sliding Wardrobes / Bedroom Three 12'7 x 8'6 / Bedroom Three 12'7 x 8'6 / Bedroom Four 10'11 x 9'11 / Well Maintained Rear Garden / Garage With Utility Area / Ample Off Street Parking/ Call 01702 555888

Southchurch

£1300 pcm



Superb Three/Four Bedroom Semi Detached House / Lounge 14'11 X 11'11 With Feature Fireplace/ Modern Kitchen 22'1 x 19'14'5 x 12'7/ Bedroom One 16'7 x 16'3/ Bedroom Two 11'4 x 9'7 / Bedroom Three 9'11 x 8'4 / Bedroom Four/Study 8'4 x 7'4 / Luxury Four Piece Bathroom Suite / Double Garage With Electric Up & Over Door / Ample Off Street Parking/ Garden With Lawned & Patio Area / Internal Viewings Highly Recommended/ Call 01702 555888

Hadleigh

£750 pcm



Spacious Two Bedroom First Floor Flat / Lounge 17'3 x 12'4 / Newly Fitted Kitchen 10'3 x 9'0 / Three Piece Bathroom With Shower Attachment/ Bedroom One 11'6 11'1 / Bedroom Two 9'11 x 7'2/ Shared Rear Garden / Off Street Parking/ Superb Estuary Views/ Call 01702 555888

Westcliff on Sea

£700 pcm



Refurbished Two Bedroom First Floor Flat / Kitchen 8'0 x 7'2 With Electric Oven & Hob / Lounge 14'1 x 13'4 / Bedroom One 13'5 x 11'1/ Bedroom Two 10'3 x 9'4 / Bedroom Three 7'10 X 5'10 / Three Piece Bathroom Suite With Shower Above Bath / Direct Access to Own Rear Garden/ Convenient Location/ Available Immediately/ Call 01702 555888

Thundersley

£625 pcm



Spacious Two Bedroom First Floor Flat / Modern Fitted Kitchen 8'11 x 8'4 With Electric Oven & Hob/ Lounge 14'8 x 11'8/ Shower Room/ Bedroom One 11'7 x 8'11/ Bedroom Two 11'8 x 11'8 / Own Entrance Door/ Off Street Parking / Central Location/ Available Immediately/ Call 01702 555888

Southend-On-Sea

£575 pcm



Two Bedroom First Floor Flat/ Kitchen 11'1 x 6'7 With Gas Cooker/ Lounge 13'10 x 10'11/ Shower Room /Bedroom One 11'10 x 8'10 / Bedroom Two 11'0 x 6'7 / Own Private Section Of Rear Garden / Convenient Location / Internal Viewings Essential/ Call 01702 555888

Westcliff on Sea

£495 pcm



One Bedroom Ground Floor Flat / Large Lounge Leading through to Open Plan Modern Kitchen with integral oven & hob/ Luxury Three Piece Bathroom Suite/ Double Bedroom / Direct Access To Communal Rear Garden / Residents Parking/ Excellent Location/ Gas Central Heating/ Viewings Essential/ Call 01702 555888

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TO LET

HULLBRIDGE £900 PCM

The Rona Partnership are pleased to offer for rent this spacious THREE Bedroom Detached Bungalow in the popular location of Hullbridge. The property benefits from off street parking and a good size rear garden. Available Now!



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £395,000

"A MUST VIEW PROPERTY!" A deceptively spacious and superbly appointed three bedroom detached bungalow which features 26'11 LOUNGE, SEPARATE DINING ROOM, FITTED KITCHEN WITH BREAKFAST ROOM PLUS UTILITY ROOM, SAUNA, STUNNING GARDENS WITH SWIMMING POOL AND MUCH MORE!



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £242,500

*** STUNNING HOME IN POPULAR LOCATION *** A three bedroom semi detached house situated within the Fitzwimarc School Catchment area. Features include * GROUND FLOOR CLOAKROOM * LOUNGE * IMPRESSIVE KITCHEN/DINER * UNOVERLOOKED GARDEN * GARAGE & MUCH MORE!



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £224,995

*** LOOK AT THIS! *** A delightful three bedroom semi detached chalet situated within the ever popular Fitzwimarc School catchment area. ** 19'3 LOUNGE ** 17'6 KITCHEN /DINER ** UTILITY ROOM ** BATHROOM AND SHOWER ROOM ** DELIGHTFUL SECLUDED GARDEN AND MUCH MORE... ** Keys are held so call now!



FOR SALE

HOCKLEY £219,995

A STUNNING TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR FLAT SITUATED IN A MODERN PURPOSE BUILT BLOCK. FEATURES INCLUDE TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS WITH EN SUITE TO MASTER, LUXURY KITCHEN, SHOWER ROOM AND LOUNGE/DINER. HOMES OF THIS CALIBRE RARELY BECOME AVAILABLE AND VIEWING IS ESSENTIAL!



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £385,000

A BRAND NEW FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED HOME BUILT BY REPUTABLE LOCAL BUILDERS CARTER & WARD. LOCATED ON THIS SELECT NEW DEVELOPMENT WHICH IS CONVENIENTLY LOCATED FOR BOTH RAYLEIGH HIGH STREET AND STATION. VIEWING IS ESSENTIAL!



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £305,000

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FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £310,000

A BRAND NEW THREE BEDROOM DETACHED HOME BUILT BY REPUTABLE LOCAL BUILDERS CARTER & WARD. LOCATED ON THIS SELECT NEW DEVELOPMENT WHICH IS CONVENIENTLY LOCATED FOR BOTH RAYLEIGH HIGH STREET AND STATION. VIEWING IS ESSENTIAL!



TO LET

HOCKLEY £1250 PCM

A FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE WHICH HAS BEEN REDECORATED THROUGHOUT TO AN EXCEPTIONAL STANDARD. CLOSE TO HOCKLEY STATION. AVAILABLE NOW TO WORKING TENANTS ONLY!



FOR SALE

HULLBRIDGE £399,995

"GUIDE PRICE £399,995 - £410,000" THIS IS HUGE! A four bedroom detached house set within a quiet cul de sac in this idyllic Village location. Features include * TWO RECEPTION ROOMS* EN SUITE* MODERN KITCHEN WITH UTILITY ROOM* DOUBLE GARAGE AND MUCH MORE. Viewing of this fine home is essential!



TO LET

EASTWOOD £800 PCM

We are pleased to offer for rent this much improved two bedroom semi-detached bungalow which offers spacious accommodation and is in a cul-de-sac location. The property benefits from off street parking and a good size rear garden. Available End of June.



FOR SALE

HULLBRIDGE £189,995

*** LOOK AT THIS! *** A two bedroom bungalow located within this IDYLIC VILLAGE LOCATION. Although this property REQUIRES SOME MODERNISATION it offers good size accommodation together with a delightful rear garden, garage and no onward chain. *** KEYS ARE HELD FOR IMMEDIATE VIEWING! ***



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £189,995

A CARTER AND WARD BUILT TWO BEDROOM BUNGALOW WHICH, ALTHOUGH REQUIRES SOME MODERNISATION IS SITUATED WITHIN A HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER AND CONVENIENT LOCATION AND ALSO OFFERS NO ONWARD CHAIN.



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £99,995

*** LOOK AT THE PRICE! *** A one bedroom retirement flat set within this modern purpose built complex close to local amenities. The property is well presented throughout and in our opinion offers SUPERB VALUE FOR MONEY. Viewing is essential.



TO LET

RAYLEIGH £650 PCM

We are pleased to offer this two bedroom first floor maisonette which is conveniently located within Rayleigh Town and Station. This property is available shortly to working tenants only. No children. Call now for further information! *Available Mid June*

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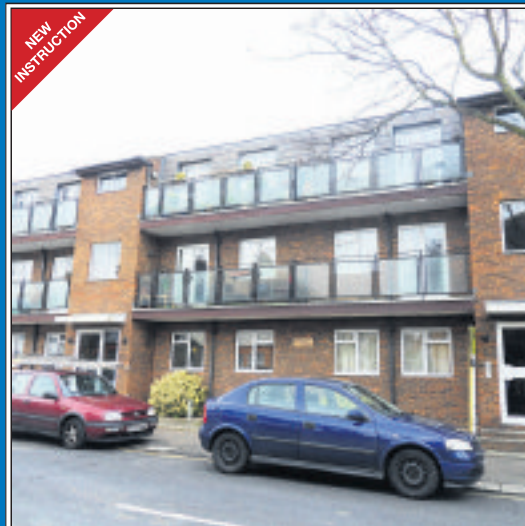
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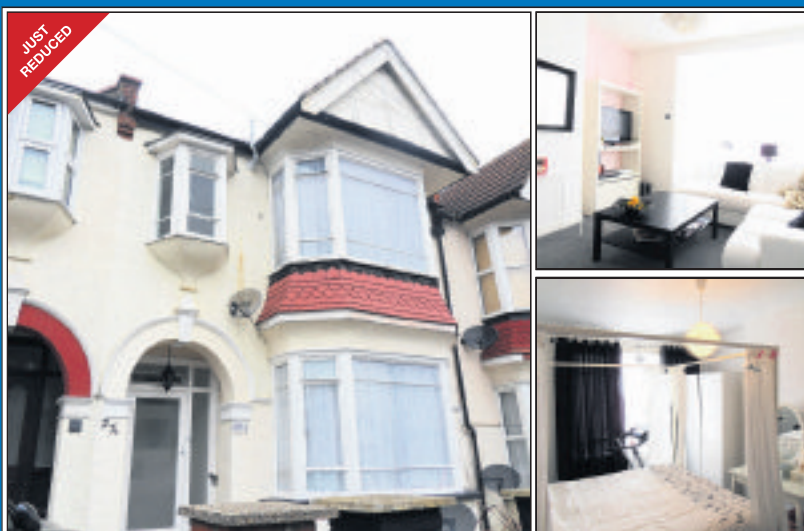
Leigh-on-Sea £249,995

Occupying the entire second floor of this popular block is this spacious 3 Double Bedroomed flat that has been well maintained throughout and offers many attractive features. The property is situated south of the A13 within comfortable walking distance of Chalkwell Station and local shops.



Leigh-on-Sea £128,500

A realistically priced modern one bedroom flat situated south of the London Road close to Broadway amenities and within comfortable walking distance of Station and the Old Town. The property has been well maintained throughout and is priced to affect an early sale. Early viewing advised.



Leigh-on-Sea £149,995

Situated south of the London Road and close to Broadway we are pleased to offer this well-maintained 1 Bedroom first floor flat. The property has been tastefully decorated and is both spacious and bright. No onward chain is also offered. Early viewing advised.

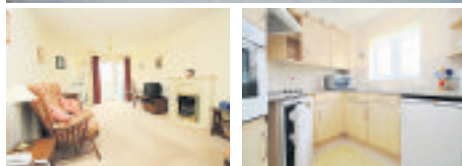


Leigh-on-Sea £475,000

Offering superb estuary views, a substantial three storey four bedroom semi detached house benefitting from detached garage and off street parking to rear ideally located for mainline station and broadway. Must be viewed

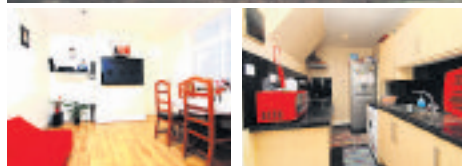
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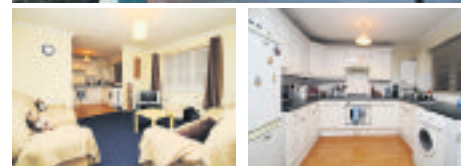
Westcliff-on-Sea £110,000

A delightful third floor retirement apartment set within close proximity of local shops, mainline train station and seafront. The property benefits from a lounge/diner, one double bedroom, shower room, fitted kitchen, balcony and parking. Offered with no onward chain. EPC: B Ref: ETS4469.

New
Instruction

Southend-on-Sea £110,000

Spacious two bedroom ground floor flat benefits from a long lease, modern kitchen and bathroom, double glazing, gas central heating and own section of rear garden, conveniently situated for town centre, mainline railway station and seafront. EPC: E Ref: ETS4686.

Close to
station

Southend-on-Sea OIEO £130,000

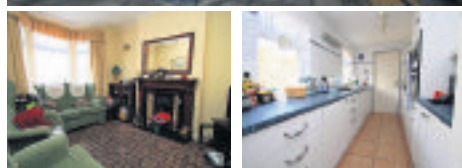
Attractive two bedroom purpose built ground floor flat conveniently located for Southend town center, mainline stations and Priory park. The accommodation benefits from double glazing, gas central heating, communal garden and allocate parking. Communal entrance door with security entry phone. No onward chain. EPC: E Ref: ETS4706.

New
Instruction

Southend-on-Sea £150,000

Well presented newly decorated two bedroom semi detached house situated close to mainline stations. The accommodation provides one reception room with doors leading to courtyard garden, fitted kitchen, double glazed windows and off street parking. Ref: ETS4745.

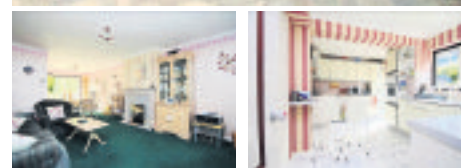
New Price



Westcliff-on-Sea £180,000

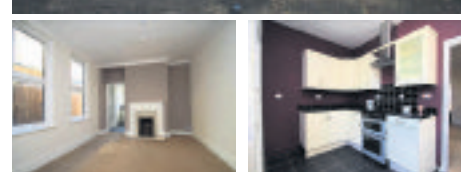
This two double bedroom detached house set within this popular residential area conveniently situated for Southend town centre, university and mainline stations. Benefiting from modern kitchen, double glazed windows, downstairs cloakroom and well maintained garden. Ref: ETS4741.

Family Home



Great Waking £185,000

Set in a cul de sac location close to local shops, schools and bus routes is this three bedroom semi detached house, the property benefits from a good sized kitchen/ breakfast room, ground floor wc and double glazing. EPC: E Ref: ETS4643.

Close to town
center

Southend-on-Sea £215,000

Ideal student let or family home is this delightful four double bedroom terrace house which benefits from two reception rooms, newly fitted first floor bathroom suite, ground floor bathroom, modern kitchen, uPVC double glazing and gas central heating. No onward chain. EPC: D Ref: ETS4650.

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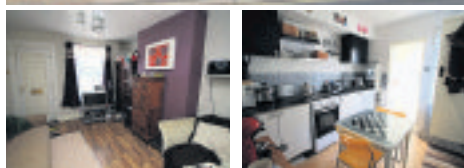
Southend-on-Sea £625 pcm

Situated in a quiet location overlooking Southchurch Park is this delightful one double bedroom ground floor flat. Benefiting from a large modern fitted kitchen, bathroom, lounge, gas central heating, part double glazing, garden space and garage for storage. Unfurnished. EPC: D Ref: R1622.



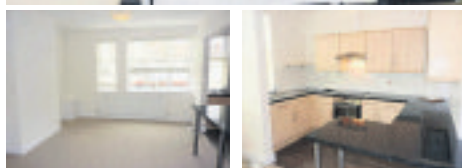
Westcliff-on-Sea £650 pcm

A short distance from Southend hospital is this attractive two double bedroom first floor flat. This property also offers fitted kitchen, gas central heating, off street parking and a south facing garden. Unfurnished. EPC: D Ref: R1622.



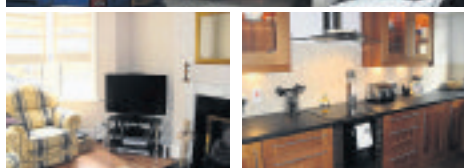
Southend-on-Sea £675 pcm

Delightful cottage style two double bedroom terrace house convenient location for Priory Park and Prittlewell mainline station. The well presented property benefits from modern fitted kitchen/ breakfast room, rear garden and mostly double glazing. Unfurnished. EPC: D Ref: R1728.



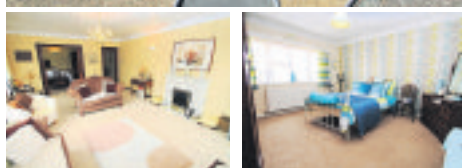
Leigh-on-Sea £795 pcm

Fully refurbished two double bedroom first floor flat. The property benefits from spacious lounge, newly fitted modern kitchen with integrated electric oven and hob with extractor fan, modern bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing and parking. Unfurnished. EPC: C Ref: R1755.



Southend-on-Sea £825 pcm

Substantial two double bedroom semi detached house located near Priory Park, benefiting from modern fitted kitchen/ diner, bathroom with shower cubicle, double glazing, gas central heating, attractive garden and off street parking. Unfurnished. EPC: D Ref: R1645.



Thorpe Bay £1,400 pcm

Stunning three bedroom Goldworthy bungalow in the popular Bournes Green catchment area. Benefiting from spacious lounge, dining room, very large fitted kitchen and bathroom, double garage with loft area, off street parking and gas central heating. Unfurnished. Ref: R1788.

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First floor flat, Marine Estate, Leigh £139,995

An immaculate first floor flat within this lovely character building on the sought after Marine Estate within walking distance of Leigh station. Large well maintained gardens for use by the residents, off street parking space, spacious lounge, fitted kitchen, double bedroom, shower room and separate w.c., gas c/h, double glazing. Ref etl 5122



Leigh £749,950

KEYS AVAILABLE TO VIEW - Five bedroom det house, south backing plot in a highly desirable location, 20'5 x 13'6 bed 1 with en suite, 4 further bedrooms with en suite to bed 2, 18'6 x 10' reception hall, 22' x 18' elegant lounge, large family room, separate study, superb dining room with vaulted ceiling, luxury kitchen, lovely conservatory/ bar room, jacuzzi bathroom, galleried landing, garage with in and out driveway. Ref etl5099



Leigh-on-sea £295,000

Four bedroom detached family house in popular location walking distance of local schools, including the High Schools. Accommodation includes : Ground floor cloakroom/w.c., 19'8 x 16'1 open plan lounge and dining area, fitted kitchen, four bedrooms, bathroom/w.c., double glazing, gas central heating- ideal family home in a pleasant cul-de-sac location. Ref etl5027



Walking distance of station, Leigh £285,000

A very well presented semi detached family house in convenient location within the Westleigh Schools catchment area and walking distance of Leigh Station, extensive block paved parking area, three bedrooms, spacious lounge and separate dining room both with feature fireplaces, 15'2 x 10' kitchen / breakfast room with appliances, upvc d/glazing, gas c/h, large luxury bathroom NO ONWARD CHAIN - KEYS AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING ref etl5074



Close to Chalkwell Park £139,995

A large ground floor two bedroom flat with parking, situated within this impressive detached Edwardian character building, close to Chalkwell Park and walking distance of Chalkwell Station. Superb 22'1 x 14'7 lounge with feature fireplace, both good size bedrooms with fireplaces, recently fitted kitchen, modern bathroom with shower, gas c/h, KEY AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING. Ref etl5120



Leigh-on-sea £499,995

A very impressive detached character home occupying a large established plot with a 60' road frontage, garage, in and out driveway and a wonderful 60' x 100' rear garden. The property offers extremely spacious accommodation, with four large bedrooms, en suite shower room, further shower room and family bathroom, 25' x 11'7 lounge, 18' x 11'2 wood panelled dining room, a spacious study, 23' x 22' open plan kitchen, dining area and sitting room, 22' x 14'7 conservatory and a utility room. Favoured location just over a mile walk to Leigh Station and within walking distance of Rectory Grove/ Broadway.



Four bedrooms, Westleigh Schools C/A, Leigh £329,995

WALKING DISTANCE OF LEIGH STATION, Westleigh Schools and Belfairs School/ College catchment area, Large Four bedroom detached family home with 70' approx west facing garden, spacious lounge, separate dining room, two bathrooms, Kitchen and off street parking - early viewing advised. Ref etl5111



Chalkwell £177,000

An exceptional purpose built flat with garage and south facing balcony enjoying views towards the estuary. Immediate vacant possession, two double bedrooms, fitted kitchen, bathroom w.c., gas c/h, superb 18'6 x 12'6 lounge with french doors leading out to the balcony. Eagerly sought after Chalkwell Hall Estate location walking distance of station. Ref etl5055



3 bedroom house, Leigh £184,950

A spacious Three bedroom family house situated in a popular and convenient location walking distance of excellent local schools and Blenheim Park. The property is available with immediate vacant possession and keys are held by Town and Country for viewing. Three bedrooms, spacious lounge, large open plan kitchen and dining room, utility room, bathroom and separate w.c., double glazing and gas c/h ref etl5081



2 bedroom flat, Leigh £159,995

A large two bedroom flat making up the whole first floor of this detached building, own west facing garden, driveway with parking for 3 cars, gas c/h and double glazing, 16' x 14'2 superb lounge with feature fireplace, 10' x 9'2 fitted kitchen, modern bathroom with shower, early viewing advised, no onward chain.



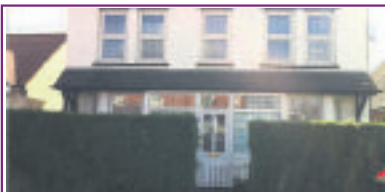
Marine Parade, Leigh £535,000

A most attractive character house in a prime location along Marine Parade, with fantastic estuary views. Walking distance of Leigh Station and Broadway. Westleigh Schools c/a, garage, parking and good size rear garden. Three bedrooms, spacious lounge and dining room, cloaks/w.c., 23' x 10' open plan kitchen and conservatory, Rare opportunity, early viewing advised. Ref etl5123

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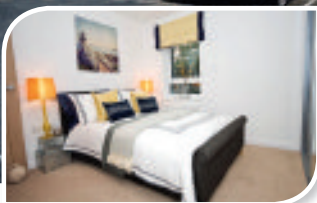
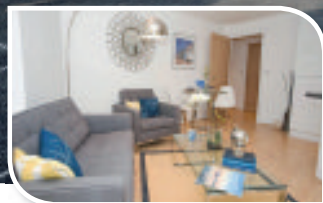
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A. You probably won't be surprised to learn that I don't agree! Yes, technology has brought about major changes in the way the property market works - and will almost certainly continue to do so. But does this mean the end of the traditional high street agent? I'm not so sure.

While you personally may feel perfectly at home with technology, that doesn't mean that everyone else does. For a lot of people, it's actually quite an alien environment - or at least, not one in which they feel sufficiently comfortable to contemplate selling their most valuable asset without expert help. Besides, let's not forget that none of the top national property websites - the ones that buyers actually look at! - accept listings from private sellers, which rather defeats the whole object.

OK, so some of this may change - after all, there will quite possibly come a time when there's nobody left for whom the internet is an alien environment. And in any case, it has always been possible to sell your own home. There is no law which says you must use an estate agent.

Nevertheless, only a tiny fraction of people actually tackle it themselves. Nor have sellers exactly rushed to patronise those so-called internet agents who offer a basic, fixed-fee package.

Why is this? Well, for the simple reason that there is a lot more to selling your home than sticking a homemade board in your front garden and an ad on a website - or in your local paper, come to that. Even assuming that you generate enquiries, how do you sort the serious applicants from the complete timewasters? Do you really have the time or the knowledge to handle viewings and answer queries? Where do you turn for expert advice and support, and how do you go about progressing the sale?

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Something happily missing from Ford's B-MAX

By Robin Roberts

FORD happily admits there is something missing in its new family friendly B-MAX ... the intrusive central door pillar has gone.

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The happiness continued because the interior of the B-MAX is roomy for a family and folding down the back seats is likely to be a regular event if you carry a lot. It will take surprisingly long loads.

For Ford the B-MAX range is comparatively small at nine models priced between £13,000 and £19,000 coming in three trim levels and choice of 1.0, 1.4 or 1.6 petrol engines and 1.5 or 1.6 diesels, fitted with five-speed manual or automatic transmission.

The new three-cylinder EcoBoost engine is expected to be in strong demand because of its economy potential and it comes in two power outputs, 100 and 120ps, and we tested the more powerful on this occasion.

It is surprisingly good for a sub-one litre engine, starting easily, revving freely and pulling well as the power develops underfoot.

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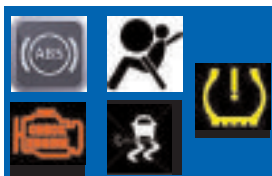
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motoring news



Safety a priority for Merc's new Sprinter

THE latest version of the Mercedes-Benz Sprinter will boast five new safety systems, more efficient engines and a fresh appearance when it arrives in September.

Most importantly, though, Mercedes says the van's low fuel consumption of 44.4mpg will make it the most efficient vehicle in its area of the commercial vehicle scene.

The new assistance systems — including several van firsts — include Crosswind Assist, which is fitted as standard, plus the optional Collision Prevention Assist and Blind Spot Assist.

Other new features are Highbeam Assist and Lane Keeping Assist, all of which the developers believe will

play a key role in helping reduce accidents in the van sector.

Mercedes has also improved the Sprinter's handling by lowering its chassis to improve the van's drag and make it easier to load and unload cargo.

While performance of the diesel engines has remained unchanged, comprising four and six-cylinder units with outputs from 95bhp to 190bhp, the Sprinter has also become the world's first van to meet the future Euro VI emissions standard in all its engine variants.

As an alternative to the diesels, the Sprinter is also available with a super-charged 1.8-litre natural gas engine featuring direct injection

and generating 156bhp.

Power is transmitted either by a six-speed manual or the 7G-TRONIC PLUS seven-speed automatic transmission with lock-up clutch, which is the only system of its kind to be found in a van.

Styling-wise the newcomer's radiator grille is now more vertical, its three slats becoming perforated and wedge-shaped to both create a more dynamic impression and increase airflow, and the headlights are now more angular.

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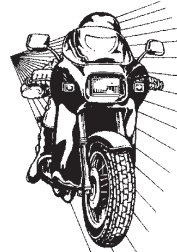
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Baseball

Essex Redbacks 3 London Mets 8
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After a week's break, the Redbacks would have hoped to return with a couple of wins from their British Baseball Federation matches on Sunday but it wasn't to be, despite some improved performances.

In the National Baseball League, the Redbacks travelled to Finsbury Park to take on this season's league leaders, and one of the favourites for the title, the London Mets. Going into the weekend the Mets were unbeaten and despite the best efforts of the Essex side, they still hadn't lost at the end of it either.

Essex started strongly, although couldn't convert a couple of early run-scoring chances, as Vince Warner rolled back the years to keep the ferocious Mets hitters off balance.

In the top of the fourth, Michael Jones's first NBL hit drove in a run to tie the scores at 1-1 but the Mets came out swinging and seven runs over the next two innings took the game away from the Redbacks. Essex managed to cause some dis-



Franklin Chicki Martinez shapes up for a big hit Photo: Sean Briscoe

ruption with some tactical batting, laying down four consecutive bunts to score two runs, but the deficit was too large to claw back.

They took the momentum into the second fixture and raced to a 2-1 lead after three innings as veteran John Read found the Mets line-up less formidable than their perfect record this season would have suggested. However, as the Redbacks' runs dried up, the Mets flexed their muscles and a string of line drives knocked in six runs over two frames to take the lead again.

There was to be no answer from

the Essex bats as the rain dampened their spirits and they fell to their second loss of the afternoon and the Redbacks are now bottom of the division with a two wins and eight defeats.

Co-manager Warner said: "We hit better today and we committed far fewer errors, but this is a talented London Mets side who are likely to go all the way this season. We're still finding our feet in the NBL and I was proud that our performance was much better than last time out."

"We have a few home games coming up against our Essex-based

rivals over the next fortnight so hopefully we'll be able to find that extra gear and get back to winning ways in Chelmsford."

In Billericay, the Redbacks' second team were eager to capitalise on their first win a fortnight ago as they welcomed Guildford Mavericks II to Forest Glade. However, a slow start was enough to see the Surrey side to put some clear distance between the two teams as the Redbacks didn't get on the board until the third inning.

Dave Jesshop took the reins on the mound to start but was unable to stifle the Mavericks II's bats and ultimately a late rally wasn't enough as they went down 21-10.

Manager Jesshop said: "Guildford are a strong, experienced side and will be challenging for the playoffs this year while we're still a young team growing in confidence."

Next week, the Redbacks II have the opportunity to bounce back against the Herts Eagles at Forest Glade in their last home game for a few weeks (starting at 12pm).

In the National Baseball League, the Redbacks' first team take on the double-defending champions Harlow Nationals in two games at Melbourne Park.

Tournament in memory of young player

Rugby

Does your club want to gain £1,000 by winning a 10s tournament, which also celebrates the life of a very special young player and Army officer?

The Aaron Lewis Rugby 10s Tournament at Westcliff Rugby Club, Essex, on June 22, is a fabulous chance to get involved and enjoy some summer rugby.

This fifth annual event also comes with a significant prize for the winning team. So why not sign up now?

Founded in 2009 by Aaron's friends and family, the event com-

memorates the 26-year-old Westcliff player and Royal Artillery Lieutenant, who died in December 2008 while serving in the Gereshk area of Helmand Province, Afghanistan.

Aaron played wing and full back for the club and was earlier a member of the Wasps Academy. He was a pupil at Westcliff High School for Boys and Campion Sixth Form, before graduating from Loughborough University and going to the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.

The Aaron Lewis Foundation supports charities which were close to Aaron's heart, including Whizz

Kids, a disabled children's charity, which benefits from this summer's tournament. It is also seeking to set up bursaries for young people travelling abroad to do charity work.

Old boys', university, club, pub and social sides are welcome at the 10s event. This is a great way to get on board with the fantastic work done in Aaron's name.

If you would like to sign a team up or your business or organisation would like to become sponsors or give prizes please contact Patric Redding on 07939 360818 or email patricredding@hotmail.com



HERO: Aaron Lewis

Bardsley just miss out in thrilling under 16s cup victory

Girls Football

Frances Bardsley 1 King John 2
Essex Reg Winters Under 16s
Girls Schools Trophy Final.
By Chris Evans

Thundersley-based King John School took the County Cup back to South Essex after a slender victory in a competitive match against Frances Bardsley, and coach Louise Parrott was thrilled to see the Under 16s Girls record back-to-back titles in their last year of secondary education.

In a clash of the winners of the last two seasons, King John emerged past their Romford opponents courtesy of two goals from Ellie Turner-Powell. Ashleigh Lewis-Shodeinde had put Frances Bardsley in front just sec-

onds earlier, and Parrott felt that was just the motivation her side needed to fight back.

She said: "That was very characteristic of the team - they always have to go a goal behind before they kick into action! I'm very proud of the girls. I've been with them since Year Seven so, for them to finally do this just before they leave, is excellent. We were a bit apprehensive because we didn't have our first choice goalkeeper due to a fractured ankle, so for them to protect the goalkeeper as well as they did was excellent."

It had been a goalless first half, with Lewis-Shodeinde's wriggle into the penalty box and poke at goalkeeper Amy Rawlings moments before half time representing the only true moment of threat from either

side. Then, just after the break, team mate Molly Whitaker went closer still as she clattered the crossbar with a ten-yard strike.

The entirety of the scoring was condensed into an exciting seven-minute spell shortly beyond that point. Firstly Frances Bardsley grabbed the lead in the 48th minute when Lewis-Shodeinde's first touch took her into the box and 'keeper Amy Rawlings couldn't stop it from cannoning into the bottom right-hand corner.

However, almost straight from kick-off, King John levelled through Turner-Powell, who got between defenders to stab over the line. But the goal of the game was saved until last on 55 minutes, Turner-Powell trying her luck from the corner of area and whistling her strike high into the centre of net.

Parrott explained that the team were looking forward to returning to school to show the trophy to their friends, detailing: "We're going to have lots of photos when we get back, and this will go in the trophy cabinet. The Head Teacher will provide us with a meal as well, which is lovely! We really wanted to retain the cup this year. We've had a hard route on the way to the final against good teams, so it's well deserved."

Frances Bardsley: Jodie Sanderson, Eleanor Stranders, Ruth Osinowo, Molly Whitaker, Rebecca Nickless, Leigh Gell, Nadia Taleb, Isabel Gyimah-Asante, Ashleigh Lewis Shodeinde, Jade Kenealy, Millie Brown, Katie Walford, Seun Alese.

King John: Amy Rawlings, Amy Pownall, Megan Sanders, Alice Boston, Danielle Sillitoe, Nancy Vasey-Reed, Megan Condon, Ellie Turner-Powell, Olivia Watson, Emily Condon, Ellen Taylor, Sian Waite, Steph Hopper, Chelsea O'Connell, Antonia Tidy-Jones.

Football

New U21 league to be formed

Players aged 16 and over in Essex have a new option for their football next season as discussions between the Essex County FA and other interested parties resulted in the Essex Olympian League agreeing to the formation of a brand new 14-team Under 21s Division for next season.

The formation of this division has the full support of The FA and the League's Management Committee, with teams playing on Saturday afternoons at the same times as existing divisions.

The same criteria for facilities will be required, with the exception of the requirement to have separate dressing rooms for both teams and officials.

A reasonable period of time will be given to allow clubs to comply with other aspects of the criteria, whilst existing Essex Olympian League clubs may place teams in this new division.

If they already have two teams within the constitution, they have to ensure they have facilities to accommodate two matches kicking-off at the same time on a Saturday.

There are several reasons behind this development, including older youth players not coming through into men's open-age football in the numbers they should be.

Youth players need a bridge into adult football to cope with the physicality and other aspects of the game, and this new provision provides that elevation in standard.

Clubs wishing to enter a team must E-Mail League Secretary, Kevin Lorkins, at kevinlorkins@eocfl.co.uk

Grassroots survey

Players, referees, leagues, coaches and volunteers in Essex have another opportunity to share their thoughts on local grassroots football through the latest online survey organised by the Essex County FA and The FA.

By developing clubs throughout the area, as well as acting as their governing body, the Essex County FA works mostly amongst the amateur sector of football, looking for new participants and ensuring the game is safe and enjoyable for all.

The Development Team provides coaching and funding to children and adults throughout the area.

The County's 1,800-strong referee list and schools football are coordinated as well, in addition to welfare case management and safeguarding children.

The survey can be accessed at www.essex-fa.com and the deadline is June 30

Cricket

Quiney out for up to 12 weeks

Essex batsman Rob Quiney is expected to be out of action for 10 to 12 weeks with a shoulder injury.

The 30-year-old Australian was set to move to the top of the order with England captain Alastair Cook leaving for the first New Zealand Test next week.

But Quiney may need an operation after injuring himself taking a catch in the final day of the Division Two defeat by Lancashire.

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